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DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled METHOD FOR FORMING NITRIDE CAPPED CU LINES WITH REDUCED HILLOCK FORMATION, the specification of which

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Prior Foreign Applicat	ions(s):		
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I hereby claim the bene	fit under 35 USC	C §119(e) of any United States provisional a	pplication(s) listed below.
Prior Provisional Appl	lication(s):		
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120 of any United States application(s), or Section 365(c) of any PCT international application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT international application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

Prior	U.S.	Appl	lication	(\mathbf{S})):
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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